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## AUDIOLOGIST AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST LICENSURE

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## CHAPTER 11-02-01 INITIAL LICENSURE AND RENEWALS

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**11-02-01-01. Licensure application.** An application for a license to practice audiology or speech-language pathology shall be made to the state board of examiners of audiology and speech-language pathology on forms provided by the board upon request. The application shall contain such information as the board may reasonably require.

- 1. Each application for a license shall be accompanied by:
  - A prescribed fee.
  - b. An official transcript verifying completion of graduate degrees.
  - C. An official or authenticated copy of a passing score, as established by the American speech-language-hearing association, on the national teacher examinations (NTE) specialty examination in the area of audiology or speech-language pathology.
- 2. All applications shall be signed by the applicant and notarized.
- 3. The board may request such additional information or clarification of information provided in the application as it deems reasonably necessary.

4. If the board so directs, an applicant shall personally appear before the board concerning the application.

History: Amended effective May 1, 1984; June 1, 1990.

General Authority: NDCC 43-37-06

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-37-06, 43-37-09

**11-02-01-02. Licensure without examination.** Repealed effective May 1, 1984.

**11-02-01-03. Licensure with examination.** Repealed effective May 1, 1984.

11-02-01-04. Licensure renewal. Licenses are renewable by January first of each year. They must be renewed on forms provided by the board. The renewal forms must be accompanied by the renewal fee and proof of meeting the continuing education requirements. If a person is unlicensed for a period of five years, the board may require that such person retake and pass the national teacher examinations specialty examination prior to licensure or relicensure. The board will allow a license to elapse only upon preapproval with a showing of unusual hardship conditions. An individual may be granted a second licensure only once in a five-year period.

History: Amended effective May 1, 1984; October 1, 1989; June 1,1990.

General Authority: NDCC 43-37-06 Law Implemented: NDCC 43-37-06

**11-02-01-05. Fees.** The following fees shall be paid in connection with audiologist and speech-language pathologist applications, examinations, renewals, and penalties:

- 1. Application fee for an audiologist license: one hundred dollars.
- 2. Application fee for a speech-language pathologist license: one hundred dollars.
- 3. Renewal fee for an audiologist license: seventy-five dollars.
- 4. Renewal fee for a speech-language pathologist license: seventy-five dollars.
- 5. A license expires on January first of the calendar year. If a person fails to renew the person's license before January first, a fifty dollar penalty fee will be incurred up to March thirty-first of that same year. After March

thirty-first, the person will be considered by the board to be practicing without a license.

History: Amended effective May 1, 1984; June 1, 1990; February 1, 2001.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-37-06 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-37-06

**11-02-01-06.** Continuing education. To renew a license a person must present proof of having attended at least ten clock hours of continuing education approved by the board.

Continuing education for licensure renewal must be completed in the calendar year prior to the year for which licensure is sought. Continuing education is defined as courses or workshops that are (1) designed to increase the competence of the licensee in the area of licensure; (2) open to the public; and (3) preapproved by the board.

If any licensee allows the licensee's license to lapse, that licensee must be required to submit proof of attendance of at least ten clock hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed up to a total of forty clock hours of continuing education.

Continued practice in violation of the continuing education requirements as outlined in this section subjects a licensee to disciplinary action as outlined in North Dakota Century Code section 43-37-13.

History: Amended effective May 1, 1984; August 1, 1986; June 1, 1990.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-37-06 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-37-06

**11-02-01-07. Passing score.** The successful completion of a national teacher examinations (NTE) specialty examination in audiology or speech-language pathology means: obtaining a score equal to or greater than the passing score established by the American speech-language-hearing association and in effect at the time of administration of the test.

**History:** Effective May 1, 1984; amended effective June 1, 1990.

**General Authority:** NDCC 43-37-09 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-37-06